




PATENT
ATTORNEY DOCKET NO. 50026/055001

Certificate of Mailing: Date of Deposit: January 8, 2008

I hereby certify under 37 C.F.R. § 1.8(a) that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as **first class mail** with sufficient postage on the date indicated above and is addressed to Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

Michael E. Connors

Printed name of person mailing correspondence


Signature of person mailing correspondence

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:	Katsuo Sueishi et al.	Confirmation No.:	2218
Serial No.:	10/549,474	Art Unit:	1632
371(c) Date:	August 4, 2006	Examiner:	Joanne Hama
Customer No.:	21559		
Title:	METHODS OF TREATING INFLAMMATORY DISEASES ASSOCIATED WITH BONE DESTRUCTION		

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In reply to the Restriction Requirement that was mailed in connection with the above-captioned case on October 10, 2007, Applicants elect the invention of Group I, claims 1-10, and the species "soluble FGF receptor." The election of Group I is made with traverse. Claims 1-10 read on the elected invention.

As an initial matter, Applicants wish to thank Examiner Hama for the helpful telephonic interview conducted with Dr. Jan N. Tittel of Clark & Elbing LLP on December 20, 2007. As noted in the interview, Applicants submit that claims 2, 3, 7, and